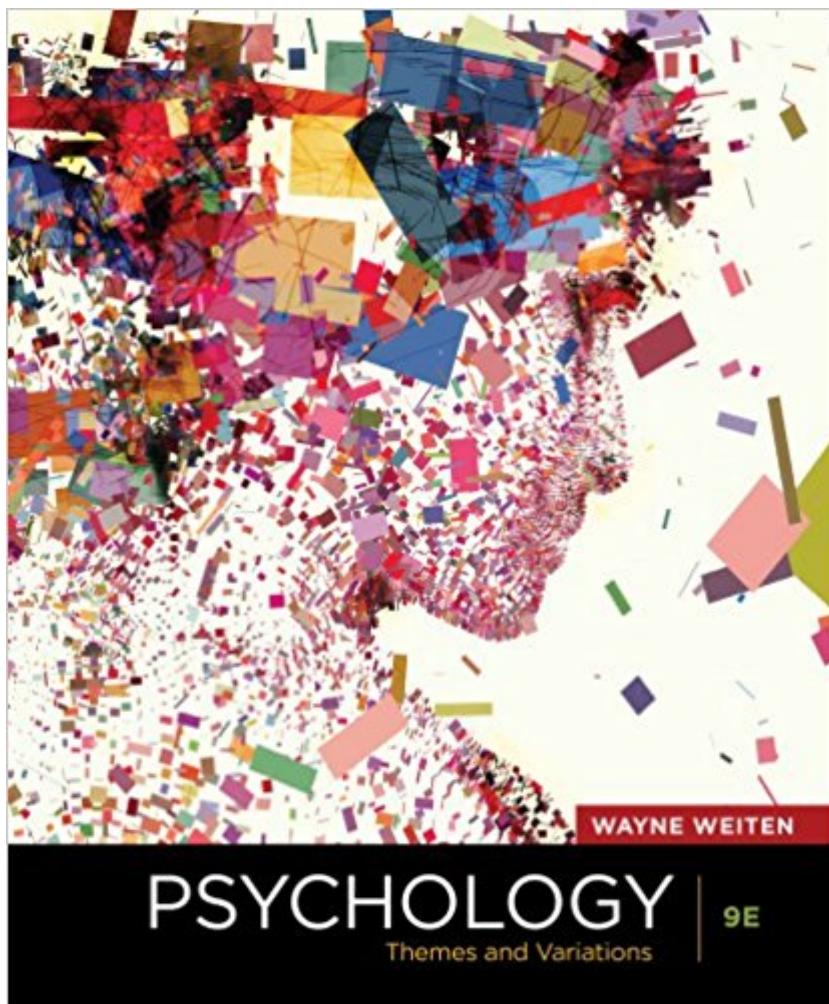


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Careers. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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The material is very well presented and flows from chapter to chapter. Examples from life and previous studies are abundant and help convey the material. Checkpoints along the chapter review the concepts learned in the section. Very good use of images/graphs/data and they are usually properly explained either in the text or the caption. A few great tools for studying includes an end of the chapter multiple choice test and chapter summaries in two forms (web layout and summary of main theme of the chapter graphically). **MOST IMPORTANTLY, SAME CONTENT AS THE 9TH EDITION!!** With the DSM-V out now, I believe that what the professor will cover in and intro class would be sufficient. The eating disorders and mood disorders are reclassified but they still exist. Easy stuff that should be in the lecture or at least Google-able. Pro tip: Don't buy a used book and expect an access code. Just...no.

The book is well written, clear and effective. The price, for a rented, used textbook, was very

reasonable. The book was in excellent condition except for one thing - a 5 inch slash in the cover that looks like it was done with razor blade or Xacto knife. Hopefully, does not charge us for this.

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This textbook is required for one of our college courses for the psych program. It is used as a comprehensive study of psychology, so we use it for GRE prep. It is by far one of my favorite textbooks. It is easily laid out. It is a TON of material and literally discusses almost every psychological principle. It's dense, but easy to consume in my opinion. I always refer to it when I need a refresher on a principle or need to recap some material. I definitely recommend for someone needing a well-rounded exam of psychology!

Having the ability to rent this textbook for a small fraction of the price that it is listed for has definitely helped out with costs of starting school and eased some stress about that. The book arrived well loved but still functional and I cannot be happier.

The rental went great. It was easy to return and the book was in fantastic condition. The content of the book itself was weak in my opinion. It was easy to understand and well written but I felt like a lot of the things presented as "facts" were really just interpretations of data that could have been looked at many different ways.

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